MEMO

To: Joy Milam, Assistant to State Superintendent

From: Kelly Riley, Policy Liaison

Date: March 9, 2000

Subject: 1999 National Education Summit "State Response"

Achieve, Inc., is compiling the state-specific responses to the 1999 National Education Summit Action Statement. Each state has been asked to outline how they are addressing the critical educational challenges addressed in the Action Statement. I am requesting your assistance in providing the most accurate information for Mississippi.

I have enclosed a copy of the 1999 Action Statement and the State Response survey. I have also included, for your reference, an example of the suggested format and sampling of the exemplary state policies and initiatives already operating in several states. Please have the appropriate personnel in your agency to complete the State Response survey and <u>return it to me by Friday, March 24</u>. I will then merge your response with the Governor's initiatives.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. Please contact me at 359-2528 if you have any questions.